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SUBJECT:ACQUISITION OF KUWAITI NATIONALITY

REF: EMBASSY'S 1249 OF APRIL 1, 1974; 8 FAM 225.1,

INTERPRETATIONS; DEPARTMENT'S AIRGRAM NO. A-2662 OF
MARCH 26, 1973.

1. PASSPORT OFFICE DOES NOT POSSESS COPY OF KUWAITI
NATIONALITY LAWS. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO FORWARD COPY
TO DEPARTMENT.
2. U.S. CITIZENSHIP NOT AFFECTED BY AUTOMATIC ACQUISITION
OF FOREIGN NATIONALITY BY OPERATION OF ANOTHER COUNTRY'S
LAWS. HOWEVER, VOLUNTARY NATURALIZATION IN FOREIGN STATE
IS HIGHLY PERSUASIVE EVIDENCE OF INTENT TO RELINQUISH U.S.
CITIZENSHIP AND NORMALLY RESULTS IN FINDING OF EXPATRIATION.
3. APPEARS KUWAITI NATIONALITY NOT AUTOMATICALLY
ACQUIRED BY WOMEN WHO MARRY KUWAITI NATIONALS. IF U.S.
CITIZEN WOMAN MARRIED TO KUWAITI RECEIVES KUWAITI NATION-
ALITY FOLLOWING APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OR NATURALI-
ZATION AS CITIZEN OF KUWAIT, DEPARTMENT WOULD CONSIDER THIS
ACTION NATURALIZATION UNDER SECTION 349(A)(1) INA.
4. IF KUWAITI LAW SIMILAR TO SECTION 6(2) OF BRITISH
NATIONALITY LAW OF JULY 30, 1948, EMBASSY IS ADVISED THAT
DEPARTMENT HAS APPROVED CERTIFICATES OF LOSS OF NATIONALITY

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IN CASES WHERE BRITISH NATIONALITY OBTAINED THROUGH
REGISTRATION.

5. ANY U.S. CITIZEN WOMAN CONTEMPLATING OBTAINING
KUWAITI CITIZENSHIP SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT SHE WILL
JEOPARDIZE U.S. CITIZENSHIP BY APPLYING FOR KUWAITI
NATIONALITY OR BY REGISTERING AS KUWAITI CITIZEN.
EXPATRIATION NORMALLY WILL RESULT; HOWEVER, EACH CASE
DECIDED INDIVIDUALLY ON BASIS OF CIRCUMSTANCES INVOLVED
AND EVIDENCE RECEIVED. RUSH

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